

We claim:

1. A system for attaching a personal care article to an undergarment, the system comprising:

providing a personal care article having a top surface, a bottom surface, garment
5 attachment adhesive applied to the bottom surface, a peel strip covering the garment
attachment adhesive and pair of wings including selectively releasable, interengaging
fasteners such that the wings are adapted to be temporarily mechanically engaged on the
topsheet side of the article and then reconfigured to hold the article to an undergarment;

10 overlapping and temporarily interengaging the wings on the top surface of the
article while the peel strip protecting the garment adhesive is removed

positioning the article in an undergarment and securing the article to the
undergarment utilizing the garment adhesive; and

disengaging the wings and re-engaging the wings around the undergarment to
further secure the article to the undergarment.

15 2. The system of claim 1, wherein the system further includes a fastener
component including a plurality of engagement members configured so that it is adapted
to engage the fabric of an undergarment.

20 3. The system of claim 1, wherein the interengaging fasteners comprise:
a first fastener component including an engagement section having a
plurality engagement members; and
a cooperating fastener component.

4. The system of claim 3, wherein the first fastener component is a mechanical
hook material.

25 5. The system of claim 3, wherein the cooperating fastener component is a
nonwoven loop material.

6. The system of claim 5, wherein the nonwoven loop material is a pattern
unbonded material.

7. The system of claim 1, wherein the fastening system can be used to secure the
article in a configuration convenient for disposal.

30 8. An sanitary napkin having a pair of end edges, a first longitudinal edge and a
second longitudinal edge located between the end edges, a backsheet layer, a
substantially liquid permeable topsheet layer, an absorbent disposed between the
topsheet layer and the backsheet layer, garment attachment adhesive applied to the

backsheets layer, and a peel strip covering the garment attachment adhesive, the sanitary napkin further including a fastening system comprising:

a first wing extending from a first longitudinal edge of sanitary napkin and a second wing extending from a second longitudinal edge of the sanitary napkin, each wing having
5 a fixed end and a free end;

a first fastener component forming at least a portion of the first wing and the second wing, the first fastener component including an engagement section having a plurality engagement members; and

10 a cooperating fastener component forming at least a portion of the first wing and the second wing,

so that the first and second wings of the sanitary napkin are (a) adapted to be temporarily mechanically interengaged on the topsheet side of the sanitary napkin during positioning of the sanitary napkin is an undergarment while a peel strip protecting the garment attachment adhesive is removed and the sanitary napkin is attached to an
15 undergarment utilizing the garment attachment adhesive; and (b) then adapted to be disengaged from the topsheet side and interengaged around an undergarment to secure the sanitary napkin.

9. The sanitary napkin of claim 8, wherein the napkin further includes a fastener component including a plurality of engagement members configured so that it is adapted
20 to engage the fabric of an undergarment.

10. The sanitary napkin of claim 8, wherein the interengaging fasteners comprise:
a first fastener component including an engagement section having a plurality engagement members; and
a cooperating fastener component.

25 11. The sanitary napkin of claim 10, wherein the first fastener component is a mechanical hook material.

12. The sanitary napkin of claim 10, wherein the cooperating fastener component is a nonwoven loop material.

30 13. The sanitary napkin of claim 11, wherein the nonwoven loop material is a pattern unbonded material.

14. The sanitary napkin of claim 8, wherein the fastening system can be used to secure the article in a configuration convenient for disposal.

15. A method of securing to an undergarment a personal care article having a top surface, a bottom surface, garment attachment adhesive applied to the bottom surface, a

peel strip covering the garment attachment adhesive and pair of wings including selectively releasable, interengaging fasteners, the method comprising:

overlapping and temporarily interengaging the wings on the top surface of the article while the peel strip protecting the garment attachment adhesive is removed

5 positioning the article in an undergarment and securing the article to the undergarment utilizing the garment attachment adhesive; and

disengaging the wings on the top surface and re-engaging the wings around the undergarment to further secure the article to the undergarment.

16. The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of engaging a plurality of
10 engagement members positioned on a wing adjacent the fabric of an undergarment with the fabric.

17. The method of claim 15, where a first fastener component on at least one wing is engaged with a cooperating fastener component on at least one wing.

18. The method of claim 15, wherein a mechanical hook material is interengaged
15 with a loop material.

19. The method of claim 15, further comprising the step of utilizing the fastening system to secure the article in a configuration convenient for disposal.